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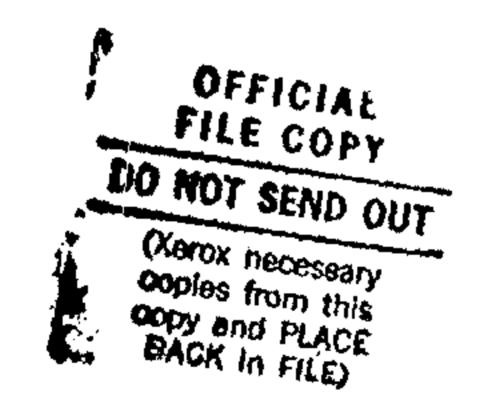
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POVERTY POINT RESERVOIR DISTRICT
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT
STATE OF LOUISIANA
DELHI, LOUISIANA

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORTS
AS OF AND FOR THE YEARS ENDED
JUNE 30, 1998 AND JUNE 30, 1997

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Board of Directors
Poverty Point Reservoir District of Louisiana
Department of Transportation and Development
State of Louisiana
Delhi, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Poverty Point Reservoir District of Louisiana, a component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the years ended June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1997, as listed in the foregoing Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Poverty Point Reservoir District of Louisiana. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and generally accepted governmental auditing standards contained in the Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the accompanying general purpose financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Poverty Point Reservoir District of Louisiana as of June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1997, and the results of operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated September 23, 1998, on our consideration of the Poverty Point Reservoir District of Louisiana's internal control structure and a report dated September 23, 1998, on its compliance with laws and regulations.

Cochran, Clark's Robinson

Rayville, Louisiana September 23, 1998

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Totals		1	(ا 45	359,643	,052,108 2,952,54	,477 6,09		4,033 15,67	4.897 <u>4.157</u> 3,486,			(07,67 061,	227	1,545 1,545 1,646	9,863 293,12	24,033	0,000		052 108 2 952	· ^ 1 1	96,191 194,12	,248,299 3,146		3,897,157 3,486,979
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Fund Types	Cartar Projects	1	248,291	. 1	359,643	•	3,037		ı	610,961				366,761	I	1	249,863	1	676,624			l	9 9	(5,663)		610.961
Governmental	General Fund		205,625	. 1	I	I	4,440		ı	210,055				5,429	1,227	1,545	I	1 6	2,201			4	0. 0.	201,854		710.055
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GROUPS BALANCE COMBINED

	Governmental	Pund Types	17 H2 F	Groups) (4) (4)
	General Fundane	Cay:tal Projects	GANGERA FINARA ANNARA ANNARA ANNARA	dendra Long-Term Debt	4 23 10-
ASSETS AND OTHER DESITS		,	1		
Assels: Cash & Cash Equivalents	799, 792	276, 191	l	ļ	475,973
Addounts Redeivable	. 1	e.ክ.	ı	1	い)
Intergovernmental	1		1	ļ	25
Fixed Assets	I	i	2,952,544	I	2,54
Prepaid Asset	4,440	1,640	;	I	•
Other Debits: Amount to be provided for General Long-Term Debt TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	204,222	3.4,538	2,952,544	15,675	3,486,979
LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS					
Accounts Payable	1,321	27,887	l	ı	\bigcirc
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Accrued Expenditures Deferred Revenue	O # # -	293,123	1	I	3,12
Long-term Obligations Total Liabilities	3,621	321,010	1 1	15,675	340,306
Equity and Other Credits: Investment in General					
Hixed Assets Hima Bulance.	1	l	2,952,544	I	2,952,544
Jureserved Unreserved Total Equity and Other Credits	200,601	(6,472) (6,472)	2,952,544		194,129 3,146,673
TOTAL LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS	204,222	314,538	2,952,544	15,675	3,486,979

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POVERTY FOINT RESERVOIR DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT STATE OF LOUISIANA

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1998

			Tot.a	als
	Governmenta	l Fund Types	(Memorano	dum Only)
		Capital	<u></u>	
	General	Projects	1998	1997
Revenues:			_	- <u>— — </u>
Intergovernmental	100,000	2,228,843	2,328,843	1,502,117
Interest	9,210	8,394	17,604	18,456
Other	8,755		<u>8,755</u>	66,398
Total Revenue	117,965	2,237,237	2,355,202	1,586,971
Expenditures:				
Current				
Advertising	_	275	275	491
Ancillary	1,000		1,000	912
Automobile	_			3,096
Insurance	20,555	1,903	22,458	11,333
Miscellaneous	4,748	1,906	6,654	4,582
Office Supplies	1,600	912	2,512	4,028
Professional	1,015	_	1,015	9,937
Repair & Maintenance	3,550	5,020	8,570	8,914
Retirement	8,976	_	8,976	7,798
Salaries	68,978	-	68,978	62,856
Travel	7,016	_	7,016	5,818
Utilities	6,409	_	6,409	6,647
Total Current	123,847	10,016	133,863	126,412
Capital Outlay	450	2,218,827	2,219,277	1,413,272
Total Expenditures	124,297	2,228,843	2,353,140	1,539,684
Excess (Deficiency) of				
Revenues over				
Expenditures	(6,332)	8,394	2,062	47.287
	V. 3/ MMH/			- 111201
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Operating Transfers In	7,585		7,585	16,215
Operating Transfers Out	-	(7,585)	•	(16,215)
or writing training out	-	1,7,50,57	1_11,0007	(10,2.10)
Total Other Financing				
Sources (Uses)	7,585	(_7,585)		
Excess (Deficiency) of				
Revenues and Other				
Sources Over Expenditures				
and Other Uses		900	2 062	47 207
and Other Uses	1,253	809	2,062	47,287
Fund Balance at Beginning				
of Year	200,601	(6,472)	194,129	146,842
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Fund Balance at End	25 A. J		ي مهاجب مساجب ور	
of Year	201,854	(5,663)	196,191	194,129

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

POVERTY POINT RESERVOIR DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT STATE OF LOUISIANA

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1997

			Totals
	Governmenta	l Fund Types Capital	(Memorandum Only)
•	General	Projects	
Revenues:	515 000		
Intergovernmental	75,000	1,427,117	1,502,117
Interest	7,344	11,112	18,456
Other	66,398		66,398
Total Revenue	<u>148</u> ,742	1,438,229	1,586,971
Expenditures:			
Current			
Advertising	-	491	491
Ancillary	912	_	912
Aut.omobi.le	3,096	-	3,096
Insurance	11,333	- -	11,333
Miscellaneous	3,384	1,198	4,582
Office Supplies	2,453	1,575	4,028
Professional	4,500	5,437	9,937
Repairs & Maintenance	3,770	5,144	8,914
Retirement.	7,798		7,798
Salaries	62,856	_	62,856
Travel	5,818	-	5,818
Utilities	6,647	_	6,647
Total Current.	112,567	13,845	126,412
Capital Outlay	_	1,413,272	1,413,272
Total Expenditures	112,567	$\frac{1,427,117}{1}$	1,539,684
Excess (Deficiency) of			
Revenues over	26 275		
Expenditures	<u> 36,175</u>	-11,112	47,287
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Operating Transfers In	16,215	-	16,215
Operating Transfers Out		(16,215)	(16,215)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	16,215	(16,215)	
		10,2,10,	
Excess (Deficiency)of Revenues and Other Sources over (under) Expenditures and Other			
Uses	52,390	(5,103)	47,287
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	<u>148,211</u>	(1,369)	146,842
Fund Balance at End of Year	200,601	(6,472)	194,129

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POVERTY POINT RESERVOIR DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT STATE OF LOUISIANA

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET (GAAP BASIS) AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1998 AND 1997

	199	98	199	9.7
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Revenues:				
Intergovernmental	100,000	100,000	75,000	75,000
Interest	10,000	9,210	7,500	7,344
Other Total Revenue	8,000 118,000	8,755 117,965	28,188 110,688	66,398 148,742
TOTAL Nevertae	110,000		110,000	
Expenditures:				
Current	004	1 000	0.07	912
Ancillary	994	1,000	907 2,500	3,096
Automobile Lucus ango	2,800 17,310	20,555	16,500	11,333
lusurance Miscellaneous	4,000	4,748	4,000	3,384
Office Maintenance	4,200	3,550	4,800	3,770
Office Supplies	2,500	1,600	3,000	2,453
Professional	2,500	1,015	4,700	4,500
Retirement	8,915	8,976	7,754	7,798
Salaries	68,575	68,978	62,527	62,856
Travel	7,500	7,016	7,500	5,818
Utilities	7,200	6,409	6,500	6,647
Total Current	126,494	123,847	120,688	112,567
Capital Outlay Total Expenditures	2,000 128,494	450 124,297	4,000 124,688	112,567
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over				
Expenditures	(10, 494)	(_6,332)	(14,000)	36,175
Other Financing Sources				
(Uses) Operations Providence In		7,585		16,215
Operating Tranfers In Operating Transfers Out			-	-
Total Other Financing	_	***		•
Sources (Uses)	 •	7,585		16,215
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Source Over (Under) Expenditures				
and Other Uses		1,253	(14,000)	52,390
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	115,714	200,601	18,609	148,211
Fund Balance at End of Year	105,220	201,854	4,609	200,601

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

POVERTY POINT RESERVOIR DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT STATE OF LOUISIANA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF AND FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1998 AND JUNE 30, 1997

INTRODUCTION

The Poverty Point Reservoir District is a component unit of the State of Louisiana created within the Department of Transportation and Development, as provided by Louisiana Revised Statutes (LSA-R.S.) 38:3087.1 through 38:3087.15. The board is composed of nine members, appointed by the governor from the parishes of Richland, Madison, East Carroll and West Carroll. The district is created for the purpose of the development of the wealth and natural resources of the district by the conservation of soil and water for agricultural, recreational, commercial, industrial, and sanitary purposes. The creation and maintenance of a lake within the district shall be for such purposes.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for established governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

B. REPORTING ENTITY

The oversight reporting entity is the State of Louisiana. The district is considered a component unit of the State of Louisiana because the State exercises oversight responsibility in that the governor appoints the board members and public service is rendered within the State's boundaries. The accompanying financial statements represent the activities of the Poverty Point Reservoir District of Louisiana and therefore are a part of the fund and account group structure of the general purpose financial statements of the State of Louisiana.

C. FUND ACCOUNTING

The district uses governmental funds (General Fund and Capital Projects Fund) and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions relating to certain governmental functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. On the other hand, an account group is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

C. FUND ACCOUNTING (continued)

The General Fund, a governmental fund, is the general operating fund of the District and accounts for all financial resources. Revenues are accounted for in this fund based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. General operating expenditures are paid from this fund.

The Capital Projects Fund is classified as a governmental fund. It is used to account for the purchase or construction of major capital facilities. Intergovernmental revenues provide the financing for the acquisition of real property and the construction of the lake for the district.

Fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, rather than in governmental funds. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. Costs expended for appraisals, archeology, engineering, legal and other technical services are capitalized with the cost of land. All fixed assets are recorded at historical cost. Interest costs will be capitalized with fixed asset costs.

Infrastructure or public domain fixed assets are not recorded as a part of the general fixed asset account group.

Long-term obligations expected to be financed from the General Fund are accounted for in the general long-term obligations account group.

D. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available as net current assets. The measurement focus of governmental funds is on expenditures which represents decreases in net financial resources. Most expenditures are measurable and should be recorded when the related liability is incurred. The expenditures shall be the amount accrued during the year that would normally be liquidated with expendable available financial resources.

In the General Fund, intergovernmental revenue is the primary revenue source and it is recorded as revenue when collectibility is assured.

D. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (continued)

In the Capital Projects Fund, intergovernmental grants represents the primary revenue source. Grant resources are recognized as revenue when the measurable and available criteria are satisfied. As the grantee government unit satisfies the requirements of the grantor government when appropriate expenditures as defined by the program are incurred, the receipts of capital grant monies are recorded as revenue as the appropriate expenditures are made.

Receipt of capital grant monies before the incurrence of expenditures by the capital projects fund is recorded as deferred revenue.

Expenditures in the General Fund and the Capital Projects Fund are recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Accumulated vacation leave and sick leave is recognized when paid in the general fund.

E. BUDGET PRACTICES

Annually the District adopts a budget for the General Fund. The budget is adopted prior to the start of the fiscal year and is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The board of directors is responsible for the adoption and any amendments to the budget. Although budget amounts lapse at year end, the board retains its unexpended fund balance to fund expenditures of the succeeding year. The budget is used as a management control device during the year. Budget accounts reflected in the financial statements reflect the adopted budget. There were no amendments to the budgets for the years ended June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1997.

F. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash includes cash on hand and interest-bearing demand deposits. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits. Under state law, the district may deposit funds with a fiscal agent bank organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, the laws of any other state in the Union, or the laws of the United States. The district may also invest in time certificates of deposit of state banks organized under the laws of Louisiana, national banks having their principal offices in the State of Louisiana, in savings accounts or shares of savings and loan associations and savings banks, and in share accounts and share certificate accounts of federal or state chartered credit unions.

G. EMPLOYEE COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Employees of the district earn and accumulate vacation and sick leave at varying rates, depending upon years of service. The amount of vacation and sick leave that may be accumulated is unlimited. Prior accumulated time with qualifying governmental agencies may be transferred. Upon termination, employees or their heirs are compensated for up to 300 hours of unused vacation leave at the employee's hourly rate at the time of termination. Current leave is recognized as a current year expenditures in the general fund when the leave is taken. The liability for accumulated leave is recorded in the general long-term debt account group.

R. TOTAL COLUMN ON COMBINED STATEMENTS

The total columns on the combined statements are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

11. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The District has a deficit fund balance in the Capital Projects Fund of \$5,663 at June 30, 1998 and \$6,472 at June 30, 1997. Operating transfers to the General Fund will be reduced in the succeeding year to clear the deficit fund balances.

111, CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At June 30, the district has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) as follows:

	<u>6-30-</u> 98	6-30-97
Petty Cash Checking Accounts Time deposits	150 65,824 387,922	150 153,787 322,036
TATOT	453,896	475,973

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Other information on cash and cash equivalents is included in the summary of significant accounting policies.

111. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (continued)

			Cash Equival		
At. i	June 30, 1998:	Cash	Certificates of Deposits	Other (Describe)	Total
Car	rying Amount on			(2000-011-00)	30041
	lance Sheet k Balances:	65,974	387,922	- ·	453,896
-	Insured (FDJC) or collateralized with securities held by the entity or its agent in the	100.000	1.00.000		000 000
	entity's name	100,000	0 100,000		200,000
b:	Collateralized with securities held by pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the entity's name	- -		- .	
c:	Uncollaterilized, including any securities held for the entity but not in				
	the entity's name	126,398	<u>287,922</u>	- -	<u>414,320</u>
	Total Bank Balances	226,398	387,922	-	614,320
			•	•	
			Cash Equiva	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
At. ¿	June 30, 1997:	Cash	Certificates	Other	Total
Carı	ying Amount on		Certificates of Deposits	Other	
Cari Bal Banl	ying Amount on lance Sheet. Balances: Insured (FDIC) or collateralized with securities held by the entity or its agent in the	153,93	Certificates of Deposits 7 322,036	Other	475,973
Cari Bal Banl	ying Amount on lance Sheet. Balances: Insured (FDIC) or collateralized with securities held by the entity		Certificates of Deposits 322,036	Other	
Carr Barl Banl a:	ying Amount on lance Sheet. Balances: Insured (FDIC) or collateralized with securities held by the entity or its agent in the	153,937	Certificates of Deposits 7 322,036	Other	475,973
Banka:	rying Amount on lance Sheet: Balances: Insured (FDIC) or collateralized with securities held by the entity or its agent in the entity's name Collateralized with securities held by pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the entity's name Uncollaterilized, including any securities held for the entity but not in	100,000	Certificates of Deposits 322,036 100,000	Other	475,973
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III. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (continued)

Even though the pledged securities are considered uncollateralized (Category 3) under the provisions of GASB Statement 3, LSA-R.S. 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the district that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

IV. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable at June 30, 1998 in the amount of \$359,643, and at June 30, 1997 in the amount of \$36,257, is from intergovernmental revenues to be received for the expenditures for property acquisition, equipment, appraisals, construction, engineering, legal and technical services incurred in the property acquisition and construction of the lake.

V. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

As of June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1997 there were no interfund receivables and payables.

VI. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

The changes in general fixed assets follow:

	Balance			Balance
	7/01/96	Additions	Deductions	6/30/97
Furniture; fixtures	3,496	5,172		8,668
Land	2,644,439	105,872	_	2,750,311
Equi pment	156	31,042	-	31,198
Buildings	133,189	1,984		135,173
Office Equipment	11,864	748		12,612
Vehicles	14,582	_		14,582
J.O.J.VI'	2,807,726	144,818		2,952,544
	Balance			Balance
	7/01/97	Additions	Deductions	6/30/98
Furniture; fixtures	8,668	-		8,668
Land	2,750,311	6,286		2,756,597
Equipment	31,198	25,612		56,810
Buildings	135,173	29,489	_	164,662
Office Equipment	12,612	1,569	-	14,181
Vehi oles	14,582	24,686	-	39,268
Lot Development	_	11,922	_	11,922
ΤΟΤΆΙ,	2,952,545	99,564	<u>-</u>	3,052,108

In accordance with LSA-R.S. 39:321-332, the district has complied with the movable property statutes of the State of Louisiana.

VII. CHANGES IN LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

General long-term obligations consist entirely of compensated absences. The following is a summary of the long term obligation transactions for each year:

Long-term obligations payable at July 1, 1996	10,001
Additions	8,147
Deductions	(2,473)
Long-term obligations payable at June 30, 1997	15,675
Long-term obligations payable at July 1, 1997	15,675
Additions	10,677
Deductions	(<u>2,</u> 319)
Long-term obligations payable at June 30, 1998	24,033

VIII. PENSION PLANS

All employees of the district are members of the Louisiana State Employees Retirement System (System), a cost sharing multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plan. The System is a statewide public employee retirement system (PERS) for the benefit of state employees, which is administered and controlled by a separate board of trustees.

Generally, all full-time employees are eligible to participate in the System. Benefits vest with 10 years of service. At retirement age, employees are entitled to annual benefits equal to \$300 plus 2.5 percent of their highest consecutive 36-months average salary multiplied by the years of credited service. Vested employees may retire at (a) any age with 30 years of service, (b) age 55 with 25 years of service, or (c) age 60 with 10 years of service. In addition, vested employees have the option of reduced benefits at any age with 20 years of service. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established or amended by state statute. The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the State Employees Retirement System, Post Office Box 44213, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4213, or by calling (504)922-0608 or (800)256-3000.

Members are required by state statute to contribute 7.5 percent of gross salary, and the board is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate as required by R.S. 11:102. The contribution rate for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1998, and 1997, increased to 13.0 percent and 12.4 percent of annual covered payroll from the 12.0 and 11.9 percent required in fiscal years ended June 30, 1996 and 1995, respectively. The

VIII. PENSION PLANS (continued)

board contributions to the system for the years ending June 30, 1998 and 1997 were \$8,976 and \$7,798, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

1X. POSTRETIREMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

The District does not have any plans for postretirement health care or life insurance benefits for its employees.

X. CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS

The lake construction consists of the following major contracts: Cypress Creek Re-Route (Phase 1); North Dam and Entrance Road (Phase II); Eastern Levee (Phase IV); and the South Dam and Tainter Gated Structure. The Phase I and II contracts have been completed in the final amounts of \$338,902 and \$949,967 as of June 30, 1998. The Phase IV contract for the Eastern Levee was awarded on May 21, 1997. At June 30, 1998, according to the engineering inspection, the job was 66.8 percent complete. The amount of this contract is \$2,390,222 which includes a change order for the lot and embankment development. The contractor had billed \$1,584,495 as of June 30, 1998. Other costs are also included in the cost of the lake such as engineering, legal, technical consulting, contract labor and environmental protection. The total cost incurred as of June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1997 was \$3,970,107 and \$1,850,394 respectively.

XI. LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

There are no pending litigations or claims against the district at June 30, 1998 or June 30, 1997, which, if asserted, in the opinion of the district's legal counsel would have at least a reasonable probability of an unfavorable outcome or for which resolution would materially affect the financial statements.

XII. RISK TRANSFER AND FINANCING

Poverty Point Reservoir District is exposed to a variety of risks that may result in losses. These risks include possible loss from acts of God, injury to employees or breach of contract. The District purchases commercial insurance to protect itself from these possible losses. There have been no reductions in insurance coverage from prior year coverages for the years ended June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1997 respectively. The District has not incurred any losses or made any settlement agreements.

XIII. PER DIEM PAID BOARD MEMBERS

Board members of the district are not compensated for their services in accordance with Act 888 of 1992.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL STRUCTURE
BASED SOLELY ON AN AUDIT OF THE COMPONENT UNIT
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED
IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Directors
Poverty Point Reservoir District
Department of Transportation and Development
State of Louisiana
Delhi, Louisiana

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Poverty Point Reservoir District, a component unit of the State of Louisiana reporting entity, as of and for the years ended June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1997, and have issued our report thereon dated September 23, 1998.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the component unit financial statements are free of material misstatement.

The management of Poverty Point Reservoir District is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgements by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also projections of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audits of the general purpose financial statements of the Poverty Point Reservoir District as of and for the years ended June 30, 1998, and June 30, 1997, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control structure and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Board of Directors. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Rayville, Louisiana September 23, 1998

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS MATERIAL TO THE GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Board of Directors Poverty Point Reservoir District Department of Transportation and Development State of Louisiana Delhi, Louisiana

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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Poverty Point Reservoir District, a component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the years ended June 30, 1998 and June 30, 1997, and have issued our report thereon dated September 23, 1998.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

Compliance with laws and regulations applicable to the Poverty Point Reservoir District, State of Louisiana, is the responsibility of the District's management. As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements, we performed tests of the District's compliance with certain provisions of laws and regulations. However, our objective was not to provide an opinion on overall compliance with such provisions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported herein under Government Auditing Standards.

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Rayville, Louisiana

September 23, 1998